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# AMAZING-MAN COMICS



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*A New Feature  
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*also  
AMAZING MAN  
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MINIMIDGET  
and others*





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"AMAN"  
THE

# AMAZING- MAN



GIFTED WITH SUPER-HUMAN STRENGTH AND MANY MYSTIC POWERS, MASTER OF TELE-PATHY (MIND-READING), HYPNOTISM, AND OTHER POWERS, AMAN, THE AMAZING-MAN, FIGHTS A MYSTERIOUS FIGURE AND SUPER-CRIMINAL KNOWN AS THE GREAT QUESTION. HE IS ASSISTED BY ZONA HENDERSON, WHO THINKS THREE TIMES FASTER THAN MOST PEOPLE!!

## IN AMAN'S HOTEL SUITE

ZONA, QUICK! MEET ME IN THE LOBBY! STRANGE SHIPS ON THAT ISLAND - MARTINEZ - YES - WHERE THE EARTH-QUAKE HAPPENED - YES - IF IT'S A TRAP WE'LL SHOW THEM - ALL RIGHT - IN TEN MINUTES



## LATER IN THE LOBBY!!

-SO I'M GOING TO INVESTIGATE! MEET ME AT THE AIRPORT!

I'LL BE THERE IN FIFTEEN MINUTES





IN THE LAIR OF THE GREAT QUESTION IN THE MOUNTAINS OF TIBET, FAR BEYOND ALL CIVILIZATION!

HURRY UP WITH YOUR CRAZY RATTLE-TRAP ENGINE, GET IT GOING! AMAN HAS HEADED FOR THE NEW ISLAND I MUST MEET HIM!

YOU HAVE YOUR ORDERS, COLONEL?

YES!

YOU SEE WHEN I PRESSED THIS LEVER-POOF, HE WAS ALREADY ON THE NEW ISLAND, WAITING FOR AMAN. I'D HATE TO BE AMAN TONIGHT, WITH THE GREAT QUESTION'S NEW SECRET WEAPON FACING HIM!

I'VE GOT TO START SABOTAGE IN AMERICA!

BACK AT THE AIRPORT!

THE FASTEST PLANE IN THE WORLD, WITH MY GADGETS ATTACHED, BUT WHERE IS THE INVENTOR?

WHY-ER- HE WAS DETAINED AND...

YOU'RE LYING, I'M A MIND READER YOU KNOW! YOU'RE MAKING THE TEST FLIGHT!

NO, NO!! I'LL TALK!

IT ISN'T NECESSARY TO TELL AMAN ANYTHING!

UNDER THE COWLING YOU'LL FIND A TIME-BOMB ATTACHED TO THE ALTIMETER! BE CAREFUL ZONA, BUT CLIP THE WIRES, AND TAKE IT OUT AND PUT IT IN A PAIL OF WATER, THEN CALL THE POLICE

INSIDE THE INVENTOR'S LABORATORY

HAD TO HYPNOTIZE HIM TO HOLD HIM, THE POLICE ARE COMING!

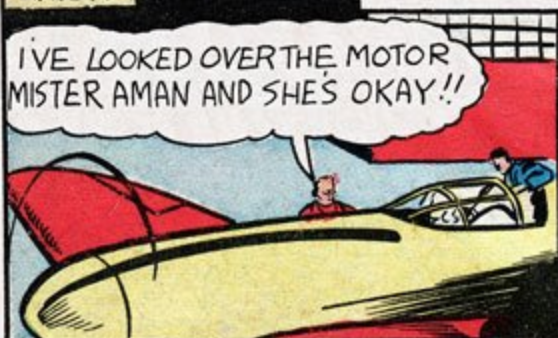
THEY'VE STOLEN MY PLANS

AND ARE GOING TO BUILD MORE LIKE IT FOR THE GREAT QUESTION-





LATER!

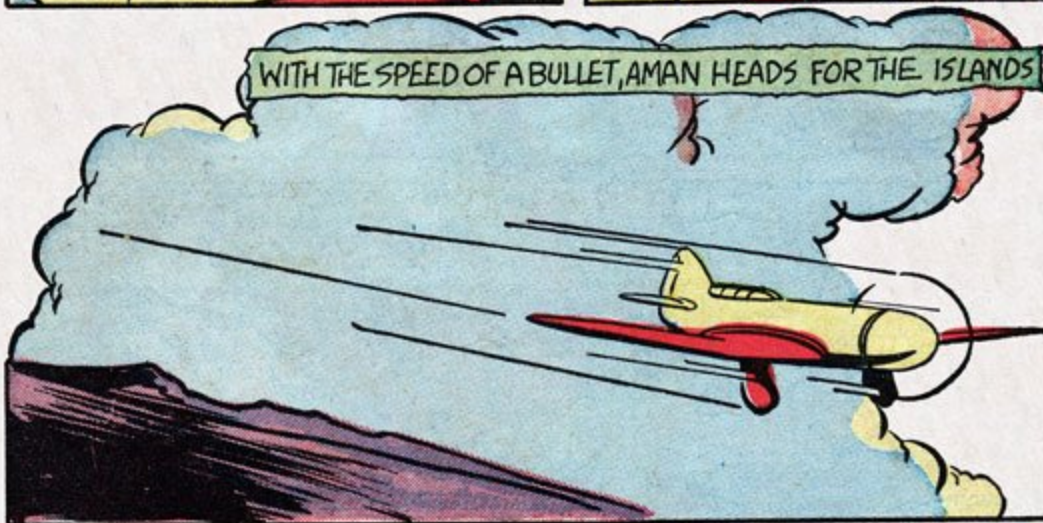


I'VE LOOKED OVER THE MOTOR  
MISTER AMAN AND SHE'S OKAY!!



SORRY PAL, THIS TRIP IS TOO  
DANGEROUS-OUTSIDE!

YOU CAN'T LEAVE  
ME YOU BIG  
BULLY



WITH THE SPEED OF A BULLET, AMAN HEADS FOR THE ISLANDS



SEVEN HOURS LATER!

WE SHOULD BE THERE

WE'RE LOSING  
ALTITUDE-SOMETHING'S  
PULLING US DOWN!



BAIL OUT  
ZONA, I'M  
GOING  
IN THE  
MIST!





MIGHT AS WELL BE CLEAR FOR ACTION!





THE GREAT QUESTION ACTS IN A SECOND!!!

YOU'RE HELPLESS  
AMAN!

A STRANGE GUN POPS OUT OF THE GROUND!

I OFFERED YOU YOUR  
CHANCE, AMAN!  
NOW YOU'RE  
TRAPPED BY  
AN ENERGY  
DOME! YOU  
CAN'T  
ESCAPE!

AMAN TRIES THE GREEN MIST!!!

NO GOOD, AMAN!! NOT EVEN AIR  
CAN PENETRATE THAT  
FORCE!

HOLD HIM UNTIL I GET BACK  
WITH A DESTRUCTIVE FORCE  
HE CAN'T RESIST! HE'S  
THROUGH!  
YES!

WHEN AMAN IS LEFT ALONE  
WITH THE OPERATOR HIS TASK  
IS SIMPLE, HE HYPNOTIZES  
HIM!!!

THEN ZONA, WHO HAD BEEN  
HIDING IN THE PLANE.....

SLE-E-E-P!

JUMPS OUT AND  
PUSHES THE  
LEVER-FREE  
ING AMAN!

GOOD GIRL ZONA, O.K. MISTER, GO!!

YES, AMAN!!  
I'M GOING TO  
CHOKE THE  
GREAT  
QUESTION!

HE'S IN YOUR  
POWER, AMAN!

I MUST KILL THE GREAT QUESTION  
I MUST, I MUST!!!



A VOLCANO ON A  
NEW ISLAND. 'I'M GOING UP!

CAN YOU MAKE IT ZONA?  
PUT THOSE TOYS IN YOUR BELT  
AND IT'LL BE EASIER!

YOU'RE RIGHT, WE MUSTN'T  
STAY HERE, WE'RE IN  
PLAIN SIGHT!

GREAT QUESTION  
GETS A  
SHOCK!

HUH, I FORGOT, AMAN  
WAS A  
HYPNOTIST!

SO YOU WOULD CHOKE ME IF YOU COULD?

I DON'T RE-  
MEMBER  
NOTHING SINCE  
I WAS SITTING  
ON THE GUN!

THE SHOCK OF THE FALL ENDED THE  
HYPNOTIC SPELL!

SO THIS IS THEIR VOLCANO! ZONA  
I'M GOING DOWN AND EXPLORE,  
THERE MAY BE FIREWORKS, STAY  
CLEAR, KEEP YOUR EYES OPEN  
AND BE READY!

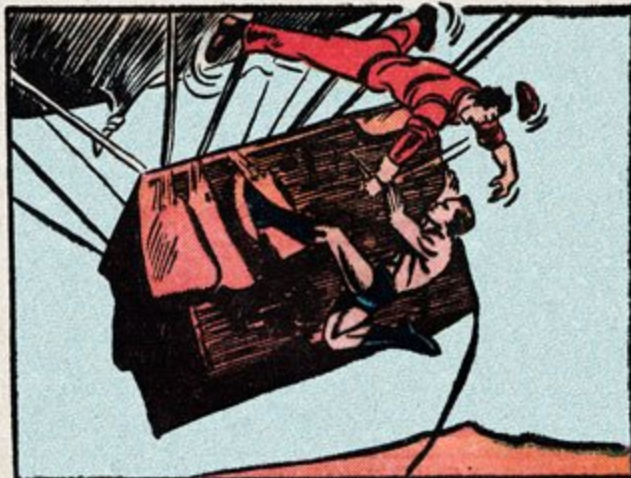
OKAY, AMAN, BUT  
BE CAREFUL!

ATOP THE VOLCANO!





SURPRISE ATTACK



NO MORE  
BALLOON  
SIGNALS!



ZONA FIGURES HER GUNS MAY  
BE NEEDED!



AMAN NEEDED ME  
ONCE TODAY, HE  
MAY NEED ME  
AGAIN!



I'VE GOT TO FIND  
AMAN — OR ZONA!  
I'VE GOT TO!

THE GREAT QUESTION SEARCH-  
ES FOR HIS ENEMIES BY  
TELEVISION!



WELL — ZONA  
HENDERSON! SHE  
MUST HAVE FOLLOWED  
AMAN — HM-M-M!



## THE GREAT QUESTION'S BATTLE PLAN!

DEAD OR ALIVE, AMAN MUST BE CAPTURED! THE GIRL MUST BE CAPTURED ALIVE!  
DON'T TRY TO OUT THINK HER, YOU CAN'T, IF YOU SHOOT HER, SHOOT HER IN THE  
LEG OR SHOULDER! DON'T FAIL!!!

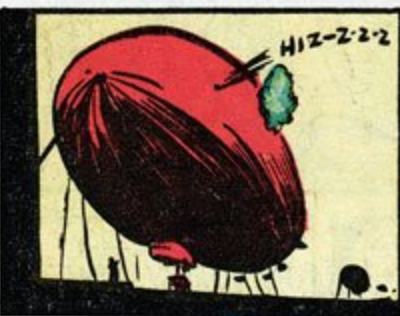


ATHOUSAND SHIPS LIKE  
THIS AN' WELL TAKE THE  
AMERICAS LIKE HITLER TOOK  
FRANCE!



MYSTERY AND CON-  
FUSION WILL LICK  
THIS VALLEY IN TWO  
HOURS!

## AMAN TRIES SABOTAGE!



HA, HA! THAT'LL  
START THE GREAT  
QUESTION  
THINKING

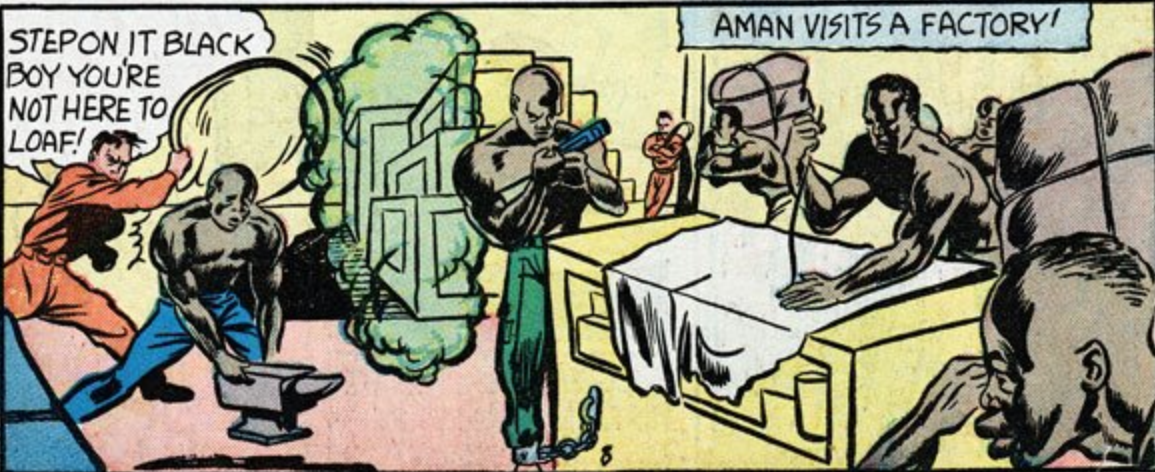
HELP—LET ME OUT!  
HELP!

HELP!!



STEP ON IT BLACK  
BOY YOU'RE  
NOT HERE TO  
LOAF!

### AMAN VISITS A FACTORY!





HADES BREAKS LOOSE, ALL THE GUARDS BEGAN TO WHIP THE SLAVES BUT THEN...

I'LL TEACH YOU TO OBEY!!

WHAT THE-- THAT CLOUD TOOK MY WHIP!!

AMAN COMES OUT OF THE MIST AND USES HYPNOTISM AGAIN

YOU, GUARDS! UNLOCK THOSE SLAVES— AND BE QUICK ABOUT IT!

AFTER THE SLAVES ARE RELEASED, THEY IMMEDIATELY BIND THE GUARDS

I DON'T LIKE SLAVERY! I NEED FIGHTERS, WILL YOU HELP ME?!

WE FIGHT, WE KILL FOR WHITE GOD WHO SET US FREE

SUDDENLY A GUARD WHO WAS OUTSIDE, HEARS THE NOISE AND APPEARS— WITH A MACHINE GUN!

TRYING TO ESCAPE, EH!

ZONA COMES IN JUST IN TIME!

HOW DOES THIS HORSE-PISTOL FEEL, MISTER?

AMAN! THE GREAT QUESTION'S MEN ARE HEAVILY ARMED AND ARE COMING DOWN THE CLIFFS ON ALL SIDES!

THANK'S ZONA!

BUT I HAVE AN ARMY TOO, YOU ARM THESE SLAVES WHILE I GO OUT IN THE GREEN MIST — I'LL BE RIGHT BACK



THE GREAT QUESTION TUNES IN!

I WOULDN'T BELIEVE ONE MAN  
COULD DO IT! I'VE GOT TO TRAP HIM



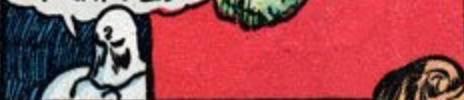
AMAN!! I DARE YOU  
TO COME UPSTAIRS  
ALONE!



THE GREAT QUESTION'S MAGIC — HE  
SUDDENLY MATERIALIZES ON THE  
SECOND FLOOR OF THE FACTORY WITH HIS  
RAY MACHINE!

IF ELECTRICITY COMES  
IN—I CAN GO OUT!

NO SENSE HIDING  
AMAN—YOU'RE  
TRAPPED



DOWN-STAIRS!

WE'VE  
WON BOYS  
THE GREAT  
QUESTION'S  
MEN ARE RUN-  
ING!



THE GREAT QUESTION  
ALSO SEES THE  
LOSING FIGHT  
OF HIS MEN



TRAPPED AGAIN?

YES, AND  
I'M TOO POWER-  
FUL TO BE  
HYPNOTIZED!



AMAN COMES OUT OF THE GREEN MIST  
BEHIND THE GREAT QUESTION "

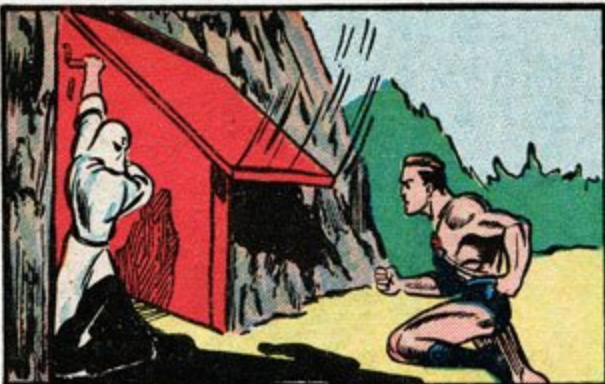
THERE! THIS WILL END THIS  
TROUBLE!



AND AT THE SAME TIME  
THE GREAT QUESTION  
HIMSELF RUNS FOR  
SAFETY





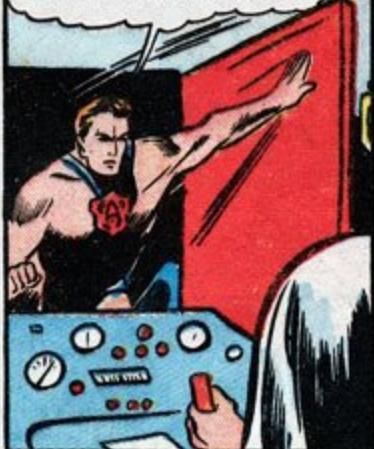




AMAN CLIMBS ABOUT INSIDE THE GIANT MONSTER UNTIL HE FINDS A SMALL ROOM....



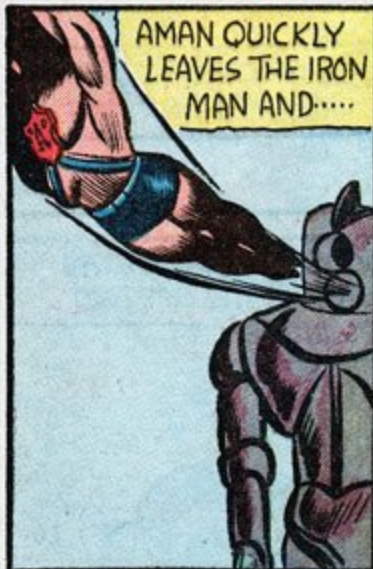
SO- THE GREAT QUESTION!!! CONTROLLING THIS IRON MAN- NOW I'VE REALLY GOT YOU!



OH NO AMAN, YOU HAVEN'T! FOR I'M NOW IN TIBET, BUT I'VE GOT YOU, FOR IN A FEW SECONDS YOU AND THE WHOLE ISLAND WILL DISAPPEAR! HA! HA!



AMAN QUICKLY LEAVES THE IRON MAN AND....



COME ON ZONA TO THE PLANE!



UH! WHAT'S THE RUSH??

AMAN'S PLANE ZOOMS UP JUST IN TIME



FOR THERE'S A VAST EXPLOSION AND THE ISLAND SINKS INTO THE SEA!



WINGING SAFELY HOME

WILL THE GREAT QUESTION SEEK REVENGE FOR HIS DEFEAT ????



- SAM DECKER -



# MINIMIDGET

TO PROVE THEIR FRIENDSHIP FOR KITTY WATERS AND TOM O'BRIEN, MINIMIDGET AND RITTY STEP IN TO HELP CLEAR TOM OF A MURDER CHARGE.

BY John F. Kolb





IN THE JAIL AND RIGHT THROUGH THE BARRED DOORS.



THEN HE STOPPED SHORT IN AMAZEMENT.



A WILD EYED YOUNG MAN WAS CREEPING UP ON THE JAILER-CLUB IN HAND.



BUT MINIMIDGET ACTED FIRST. HE LEAPED THROUGH THE AIR AND LANDED FLUSH AGAINST THE JAILERS JAW.



YOU FOOL, TOM! DO YOU WANT TO GET KILLED, TRYING TO BREAK JAIL?

MINIMIDGET! WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?



I'M NOT GOING TO LET THEM PUT ME IN THE ELECTRIC CHAIR FOR SOMETHING I DIDN'T DO!



ALL RIGHT, BUT GET BACK IN YOUR CELL BEFORE THE JAILER COMES TO. HE WON'T KNOW WHAT HAPPENED TO HIM.



WHAT HAPPENED? HOW COME YOU'RE IN A SPOT LIKE THIS?



MR. MORGAN SENT ME DOWN TO THE OFFICE WITH A PACKAGE. WHEN I ARRIVED I FOUND CONNERS DEAD. THEY SAID I MURDERED HIM, BUT I DIDN'T. I CAN'T UNDERSTAND IT.



THE PACKAGE MR. MORGAN GAVE ME WAS EMPTY. HE TOLD THE POLICE HE DIDN'T GIVE IT TO ME.

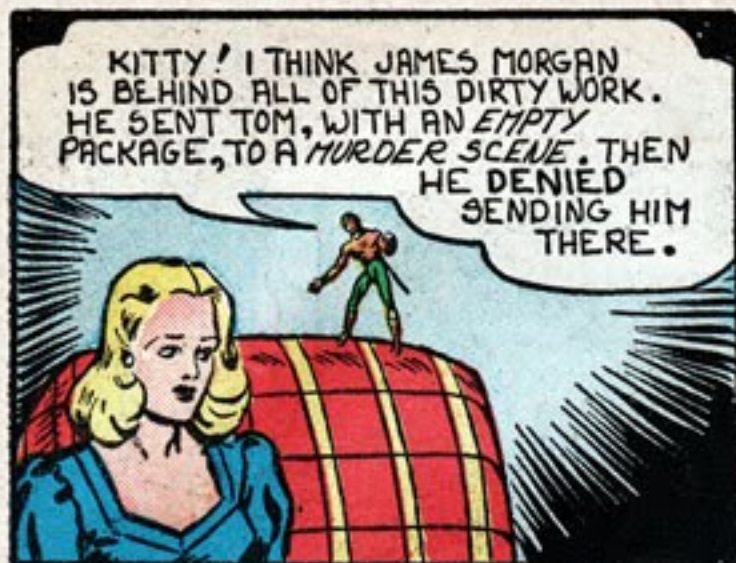
IT LOOKS TO ME LIKE MR. MORGAN HAD YOU FRAMED. YOU SIT TIGHT TILL I TRY OUT AN IDEA I HAVE.



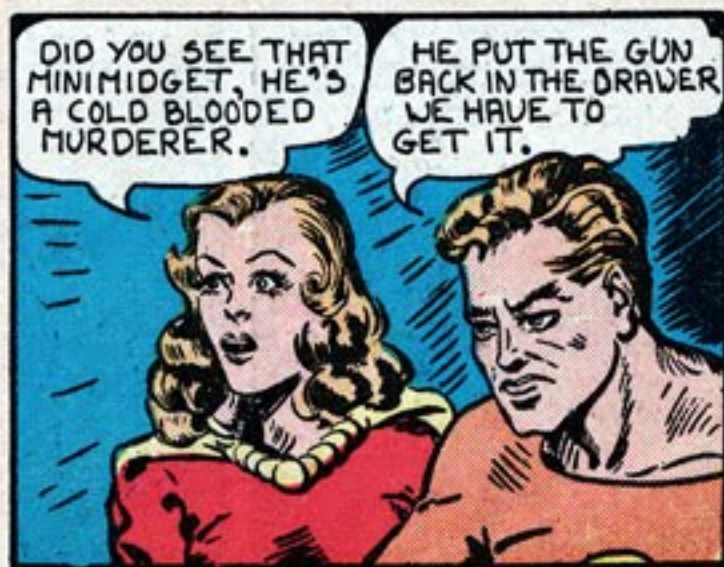




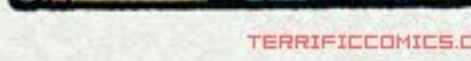
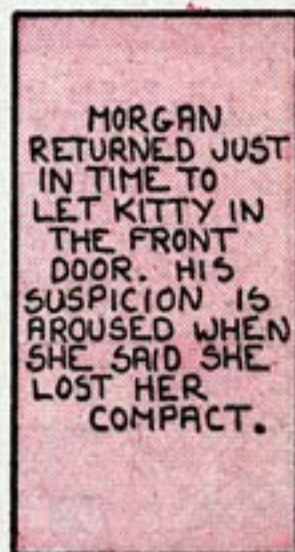
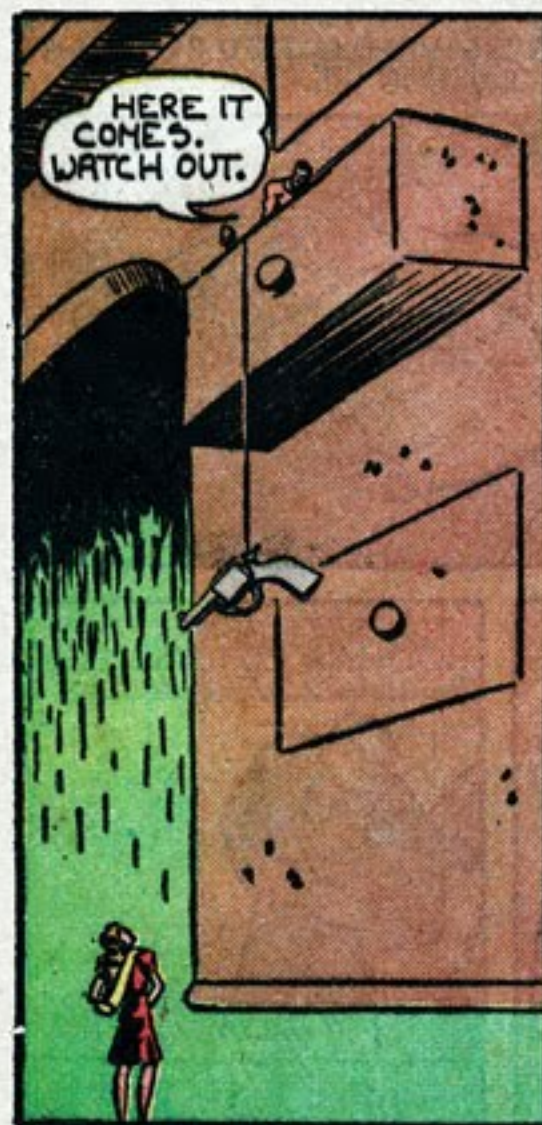




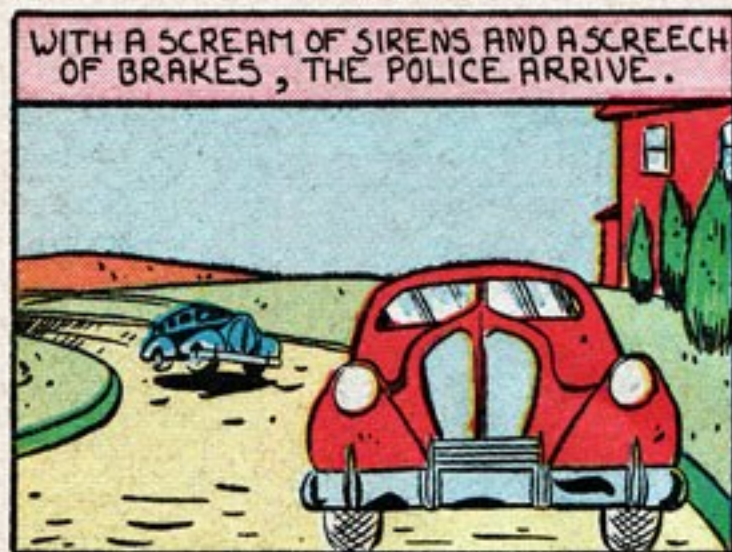
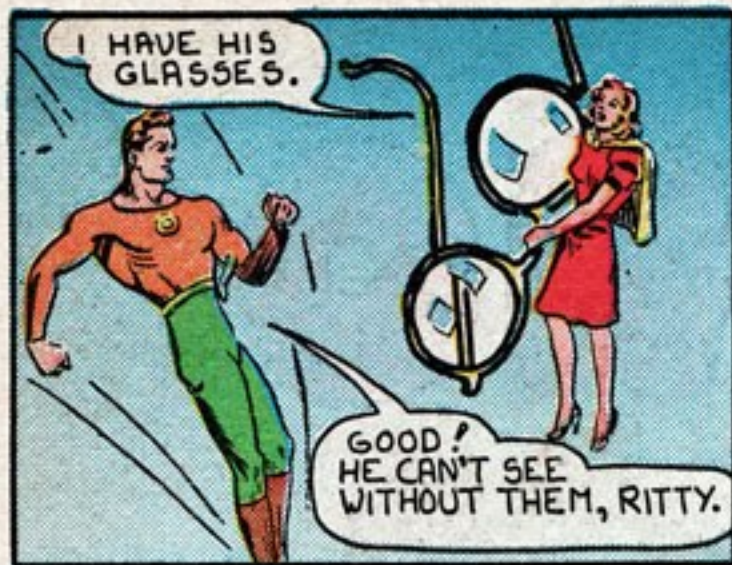














# THE AMAZING MIGHTY-MAN

BY THOUGHT SUGGESTION ----



-- HE CAN SHRINK --

-- HE CAN GROW --

-- AND HE CAN  
CHANGE HIS FEATURES!

RECENTLY THE MIGHTY MAN MET  
UP WITH A SUPER-CRIMINAL CALLED  
THE WITCH! HE PERMITS HER TO ESCAPE  
SO THAT HE CAN CAPTURE THE LARGE  
NUMBER OF CROOKS THAT SHE HAS  
UNDER HER CONTROL! HIS PLAN  
WORKS FOR AWHILE! SUDDENLY.....

-- IT'S CERTAINLY ODD HOW  
THE WITCH HAS CEASED HER  
ACTIVITY! I WONDER IF SHE  
HAS FINALLY CAUGHT ON  
TO WHAT I'VE BEEN  
DOING!

IF SHE HAS - THEN I'M SURE SHE WON'T  
TRY TO PULL ANOTHER JOB UNTIL I'M  
OUT OF THE WAY!



I'M WILLING TO BET MY RUBBERIZED  
SHIRT THAT SOME OF HER MEN ARE  
WATCHING ME THIS VERY MINUTE!  
GOSH! WHAT'S THIS?





THIS IS STRANGE! WHEN I TOOK OFF THIS SHIRT IT SHRANK ALMOST OUT OF SIGHT - BUT NOW IT'S LARGE! COULD IT BE POSSIBLE THAT THE STEAM FROM THE BATHROOM CAUSED IT TO EXPAND - AND THIS WRITING - I NEVER SAW IT BEFORE!



WOW! THIS IS A BREAK! I'M GOING TO SEE MY FRIEND THE CHEMIST RIGHT NOW!



-I'M WATCHED! BUT IF MY SHIRT WILL SHRINK - NOW THAT IT'S COOLED OFF - I WON'T HAVE ANY TROUBLE GETTING OUT OF HERE!



A FEW MINUTES LATER!

SAY, BUDD! WHO IS THIS MUG WE'RE WATCHING - KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT HIM?

I HAVEN'T SEEN HIM BUT I'VE HEARD PLENTY! HE CAN DO EVERYTHING THE WITCH CAN - AND THEN DOUBLE IT!



YUP! HE MUST BE MIGHTY TRICKY TO MAKE THE WITCH CALL OFF HER PLANS!

HA! HA! WATCH THE WIND TOSS THAT EMPTY PACK AROUND! FUNNY ISN'T IT?



YEAH! YOU'D THINK THERE WAS SOMETHING IN IT TO MAKE IT JUMP LIKE THAT!



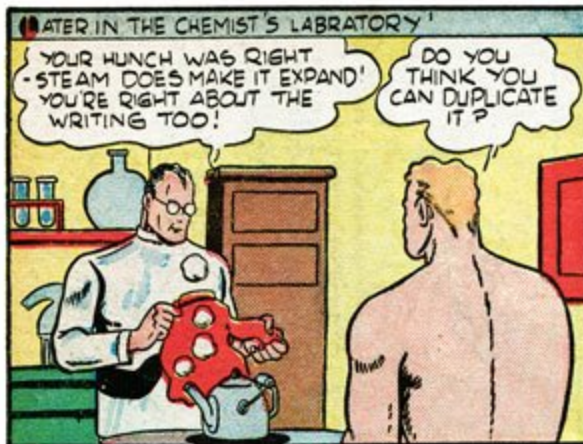
THERE WAS!!

I'M GLAD THEY DIDN'T FOLLOW THIS PACK AROUND THE CORNER!

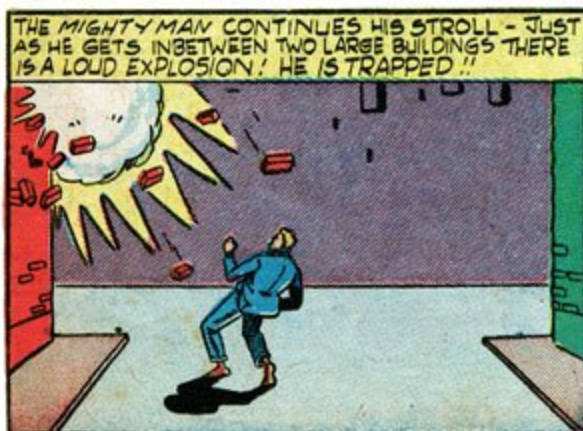


THE MIGHTY MAN WAS IN IT!





HOURS LATER! THE TWO CROOKS WERE BECOMING UNEASY WHEN...





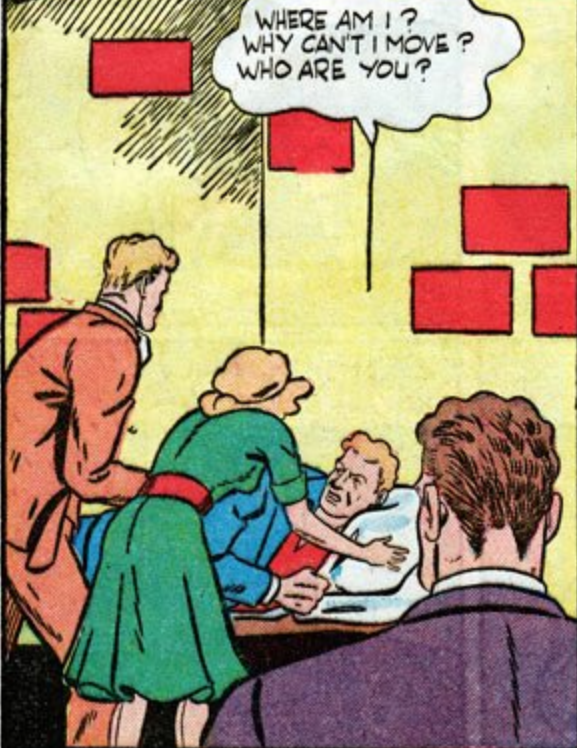
BEFORE A CROWD CAN COLLECT AN AMBULANCE DRIVES UP AND THEN SPEEDILY TAKES THE HELPLESS MIGHTY MAN AWAY



IN THE AMBULANCE THE MIGHTY MAN IS GIVEN A HYPODERMIC



SOMETIME LATER THE MIGHTY MAN AWAKENS TO FIND HIMSELF SURROUNDED BY STRANGE FACES! HE APPEARS TO BE PUZZLED!



-- WE HAD YOU DRUGGED MY FRIEND - AND IF YOU LOOK CLOSE I'M SURE YOU'LL RECOGNIZE ME!



I'M GOING TO DISPOSE OF YOU - BUT NOT UNTIL I FIND OUT THE SECRET OF YOUR THOUGHT SUGGESTION MY MEN COULD USE THIS STRANGE POWER! UNFORTUNATELY WE MUST WAIT BECAUSE IN ONE HOUR WE WILL HOLD-UP THE CITY NATIONAL BANK YOU OF COURSE WILL REMAIN HERE - HELPLESS!!



THE DRUG WILL KEEP YOU THAT WAY - BUT TO MAKE SURE YOU DON'T GET OUT ONE OF MY MEN WILL BE BEHIND THIS DOOR - WHICH IS TWO FEET THICK!



THE DOOR SWINGS SHUT! THE MIGHTY MAN WHO APPEARED TO BE HELPLESS - JUST SECONDS AGO - IS VERY ACTIVE!





I COULD GO THROUGH THE DOOR WITH EASE - BUT I'VE WORKED HARD TO GET SOME OF HER HENCHMEN TOGETHER, SO WHY SPOIL MY OWN PLAN! AH! I THINK I SEE ----



MEANWHILE THE WITCH IS RUSHING THROUGH WITH HER WELL LAID PLANS!

WITH THE MIGHTY MAN SAFELY TUCKED AWAY THIS JOB WILL BE A CINCIN, EH WITCH?

I HOPE SO!



AS A UNIT THEY DASH INTO THE CITY NATIONAL BANK

BE CAREFUL MEN!

DON'T WORRY, WITCH, THE BOYS KNOW WHAT TO DO!



IN RECORD TIME THEY COLLECT A SIZEABLE LOOT!

OPEN YOUR MOUTH AND IT'S CURTAINS FOR YOU!

I WISH YOU DIDN'T HAVE THAT GUN IN YOUR HAND!



OKEY! MEN! TIME TO GET GOING!



THE WITCH GIVES THE ORDER TO MAKE THE GETAWAY WHEN OUT OF NOWHERE...

HELLO FOLKS! I'VE COME TO DO MY GOOD DEED FOR TO-DAY!



... A STRANGE MASKED MIDGET APPEARS!

FIRST I'LL POLISH OFF SOME OF THESE SO CALLED TOUGH GUYS!





THE WITCH IS INFURIATED AT WHAT SHE SAW

GET HIM MEN!  
THRASH THAT LITTLE  
SQUIRT!



SOON THE PLACE WAS A BEDLAM! THE WITCH DECIDES TO LEAVE WHILE THE LEAVING WAS GOOD!

BULLY ME -  
WILL YOU?

LET'S GET  
OUT OF HERE!



WITH THE FEW REMAINING MEN WHO ARE STILL ABLE TO MOVE AROUND UNAIDED - SHE GETS INTO HER CAR

STEP ON IT!  
- YOU FOOL!

DON'T  
LEAVE  
ME!



HE LEAPS AND CATCHES THE CAR JUST AS THE DRIVER SHIFTS INTO HIGH!

HE RATTLED  
US! WHO WAS  
HE?

I'M NOT SURE -  
BUT I DO HAVE  
A HUNCH!  
SO STEP ON  
IT!

HEY!  
LOOK!



- BUT THE LITTLE  
SQUIRT DIDN'T  
WANT TO BE  
THRASHED -

EASIER SAID  
THAN DONE!



-- IF THERE WAS  
ANY THRASHING TO  
DO - HE'D DO IT!

BUT THE LITTLE BUTTINSKY INSISTED THAT SHE SHOULD STAY, SO WITH AMAZING SPEED HE FOLLOWS HER

YOU FOOLS!  
WHY DIDN'T YOU  
USE YOUR GUNS?

I DON'T  
KNOW! THAT  
KID ..

HA! THEY THINK  
THEY'RE GETTING  
AWAY!



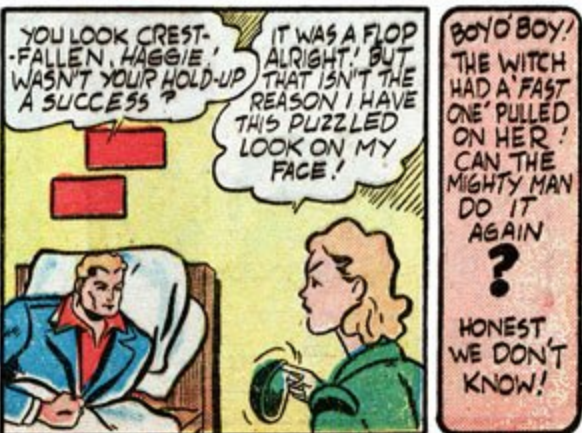
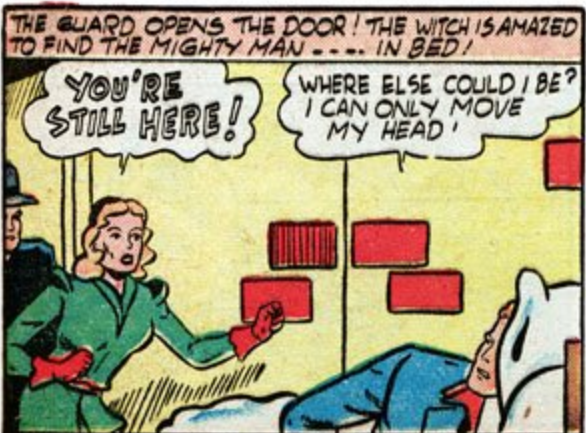
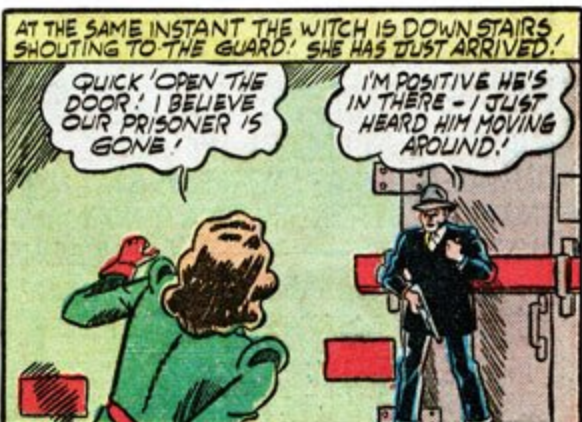
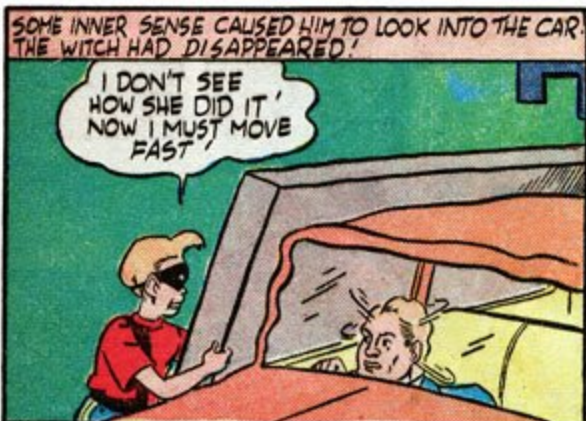
WITH ASTOUNDING STRENGTH HE STOPS THE CAR ON THE PROVERBIAL DIME!

THIS  
IS FUN!

EEOW!









# SHARK



THE SHARK IS AN AMAZING UNDERSEA CREATURE, HE HAS WEBBED HANDS AND FEET WHICH GIVE HIM THE ABILITY TO TRAVEL AT GREAT SPEED IN WATER. HE HAS ENORMOUS STRENGTH IN WATER BUT WHEN OUT, HE HAS NO MORE STRENGTH THAN A NORMAL MAN, EXCEPT WHEN HE WEARS HIS MAGIC KNIFE — SINCE THE KILLING OF DOCTOR VON SNIPE, THERE HAS BEEN A NUMBER OF SHIPS AND BOATS SAILING INTO PORT WITHOUT MEN OR CARGO!!

WHEN DOCTOR VON SNIPE WAS MURDERED, ALL HIS BOOKS AND NOTES WERE STOLEN — WHO KILLED HIM? NO ONE KNOWS!!!!



NOW WHEN A SHIP SAILS IT HAS ONLY TOUGH SEA-FARING MEN ABOARD FOR NO COWARD WOULD SAIL KNOWING HE WAS FOLLOWED BY THE SHADOW OF DEATH!





AT THE GOVERNORS OFFICE'

I'M SORRY YOUR HONOR BUT WE CAN'T FIND A CLUE, NOTHING — THE VALUABLES AN' THE CREW ON THE BOATS JUST DIS-APPEAR, THEN THE BOAT IS LEFT LOOSE — EMPTY. THAT'S ALL WE CAN FIND OUT!



I KNOW ALL THOSE THINGS, WHAT I WANT YOU TO DO IS TO GET ME FACTS THAT I DON'T KNOW! I DON'T CARE HOW, WHEN, OR WHERE YOU GET THEM BUT DO SOMETHING — FIVE SHIPS IN ONE WEEK, WHY IT'S PREPOSTEROUS I WISH THERE WAS SOME WAY TO GET IN TOUCH WITH THE SHARK HE'D DO SOMETHING IM SURE!!!



DOWN IN THE SHARKS UNDER-SEA HOME — THE SHARK WATCHES THROUGH HIS SUPER-TELEVISION-SET

DON'T WORRY SIR YOU'VE ALREADY BEEN IN TOUCH WITH ME



AND I'LL DO PLENTY ABOUT IT!! FIRST I'LL VISIT ONE OF THOSE "GHOST SHIPS"

LATER

S'FUNNY THING ABOUT THIS BUSINESS, IT ALL HAPPENS ON WATER THE CROOKS MUST HAVE THEIR HIDE-OUT ON THE SEA — OR MAYBE IN THE SEA!



ON BOARD

NOT A SOUL IN SIGHT! THINK I'LL TAKE A LOOK INSIDE



I SMELL SOME SORT OF ACID! SEEMS TO BE COMING FROM INSIDE! — THE DECK IS WET — AND IT HASN'T RAINED IN TWO DAYS, THOSE CROOKS OR WHATEVER THEY ARE MUST HAVE COME OUT OF THE SEA

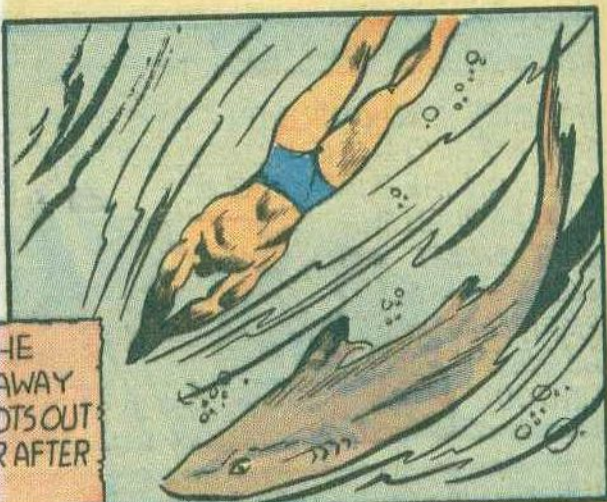




AS THE SHARK OPENS THE CABIN DOOR  
SMOKE POURS OUT!

I CAN'T SEE  
A THING!

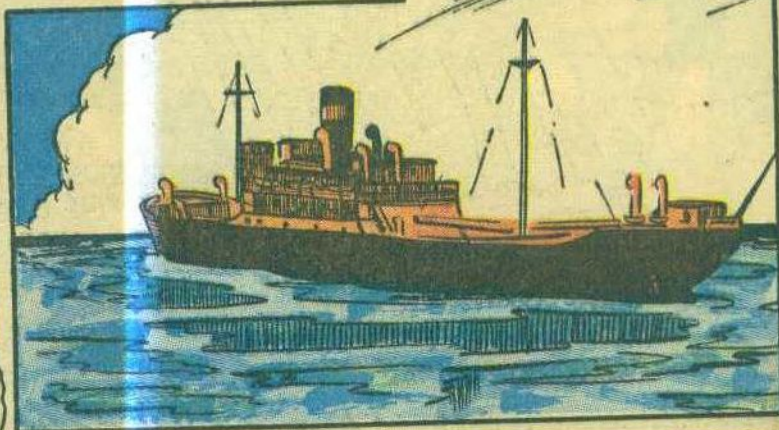
AS SOON AS THE  
SMOKE CLEARS AWAY  
THE SHARK SHOOTS OUT  
INTO THE WATER AFTER  
HIS PREY



THE SHARK  
MAKES A  
SEARCH OF  
THE NEAR-  
BY  
WATERS

THERE'S ONLY ONE PLACE  
LEFT TO LOOK AND THAT'S  
THE UNDERSEA CAVERN!!  
I'LL GO THERE NOW!

A FEW MILES AWAY ANOTHER  
FREIGHTER'S MOTORS STOP  
SUDDENLY FOR NO  
APPARENT REASON!!!



BUT ABOARD THE REASON IS  
OBVIOUS

ALL RIGHT CAPTAIN SHOW  
US TO THE GOLD BULLION  
YOU HAVE ABOARD!

YOU GUYS CAN'T  
SCARE ME WITH THOSE  
MONKEY SUITS ON, SO  
SCRAM!

LET'S THROW  
'EM OVER-  
BOARD!







MONKEY SUITS !! THESE MEN BEHIND ME WERE ONCE FEARLESS ABLE, BODIED SEAMEN LIKE YOURSELF BUT FOR THE SAKE OF THIS SMALL GUN!



NUTS!

ALL RIGHT, CAPTAIN I'LL SHOW YOU!



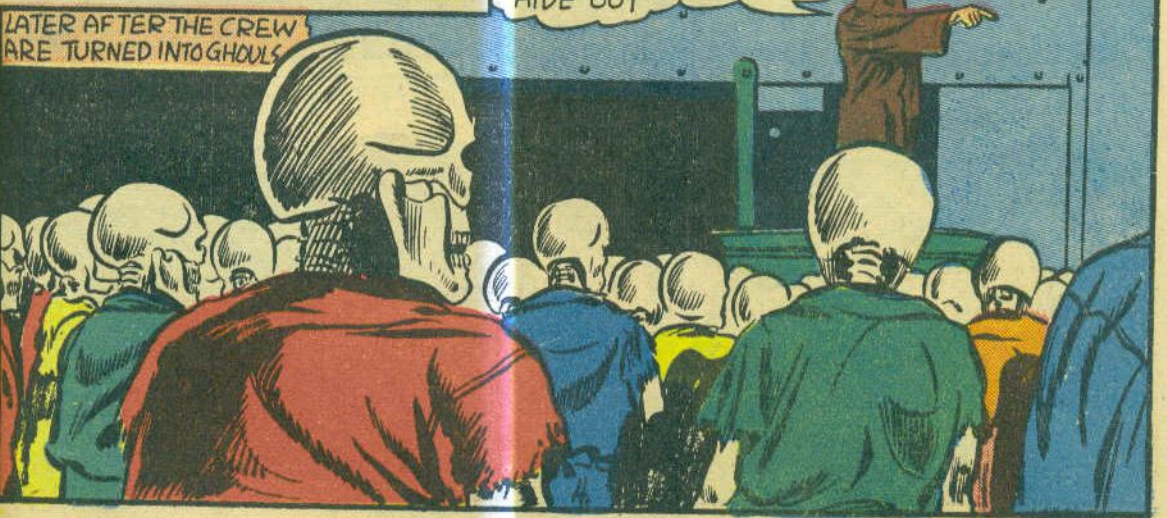
THERE, YOU SEE CAPTAIN, THIS GAS EATS AWAY ALL YOUR FLESH AND LEAVES ONLY YOUR BONES AND YOUR BRAINS WHICH ARE USELESS, OR SHOULD I SAY USELESS AS FAR AS YOU'RE CONCERNED, FOR I CONTROL WHAT IS LEFT OF IT!—NOW CAPTAIN WILL YOU SHOW ME THE GOLD?



YES MASTER!



NO WAIT CAPTAIN I HAVE A BETTER IDEA. YOU TAKE THIS GUN AND SHOOT ALL YOUR CREW, AND LET THEM BRING THE GOLD TO ME. HERE ON DECK!

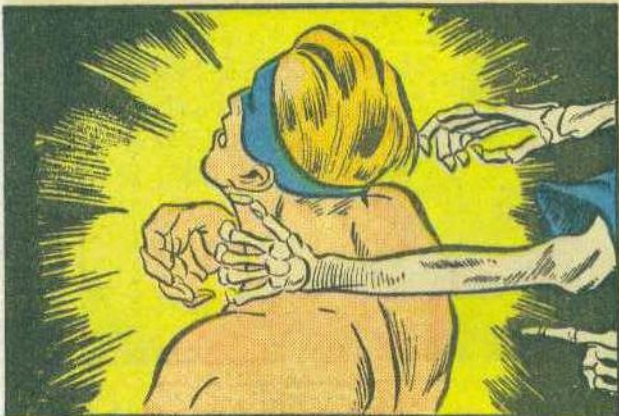
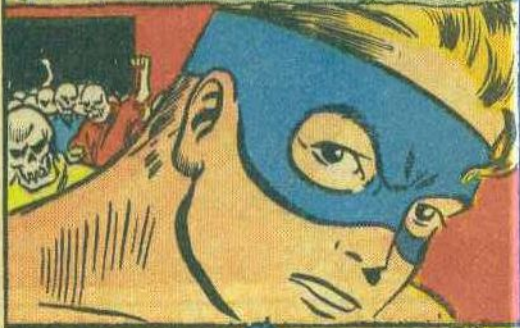


LATER AFTER THE CREW ARE TURNED INTO GHOULS

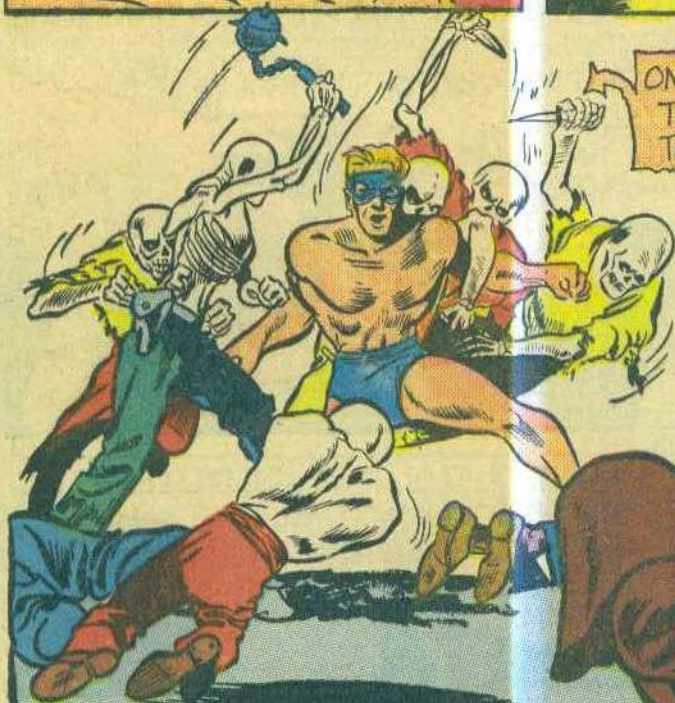
AH, MY BAND OF BRAINLESS PIRATES IS GETTING LARGER, GOOD— ALL RIGHT, OVER THE SIDE AND DOWN INTO OUR UNDER-SEA HIDE-OUT



BUT WHEN THE GHOULS GET TO THEIR UNDERSEA HOME THEY FIND THE SHARK!



ONE OF THE SKULL-LIKE MEN GRABS THE SHARK'S KNIFE ACCIDENTLY THEREBY RENDERING HIM HELPLESS!



THE SHARK!!  
DON'T KILL HIM, MEN, I WANT HIM ALIVE!!



THE SHARK IS OUT-NUMBERED—  
GOES DOWN!



YOU MEN LEAVE NOW—ALL EXCEPT  
TOAG, I'LL NEED HIM!





I SEE YOU'RE STILL CONSCIOUS SHARK, GOOD I WANT TO TALK TO YOU - WAIT TILL I UNMASK!

WHY THE OXYGEN MASK?



WHAT A FOOLISH QUESTION, ALTHOUGH MY BRAINLESS MEN CAN TRAVEL UNDER WATER, I CAN'T AND BESIDES IT PREVENTS ME FROM TURNING INTO ONE OF THEM WHEN I SHOOT MY LITTLE ACID GUN - WHICH BY THE WAY I - ER - TOOK FROM DOCTOR VON SNIPE. BUT ENOUGH, YOU HAVE A VERY POWERFUL BRAIN AND I THOUGHT YOU MIGHT JOIN ME -



BEFORE YOU GO INTO LONG DETAILS ABOUT HOW WE COULD RULE THE WORLD WITH MY BRAINS AND YOUR METHOD I'LL SAY NO!!



WISE-GUY, HUH? O.K. TO AG USE THE WHIP ON HIM HE'LL CHANGE HIS MIND!!!

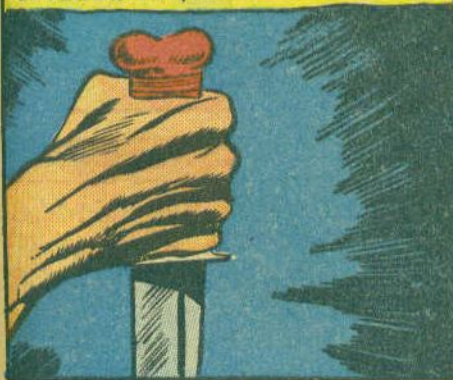


YOU SEE TO AG DOES WHAT EVER! TELL HIM BECAUSE IN HIS BRAIN WITHOUT ME HE DIES AS ALL THE REST WOULD!

SUDDENLY THE SHARK SEES HIS KNIFE, HE MAKES A GRAB!



ONCE IN HIS HAND, STRENGTH POURS BACK INTO HIS WEAKENED BODY!

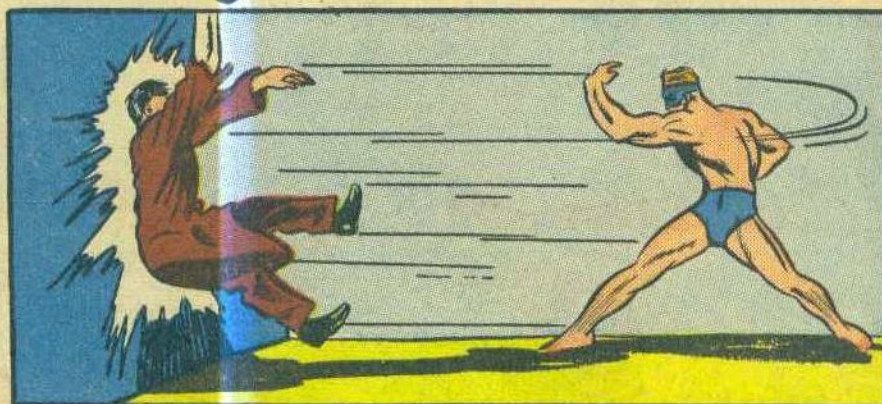


NOW, RAT YOU'RE GOING TO GET YOURS - WITH THE COMPLIMENTS OF ALL THE POOR DEVILS IN YOUR POWER!





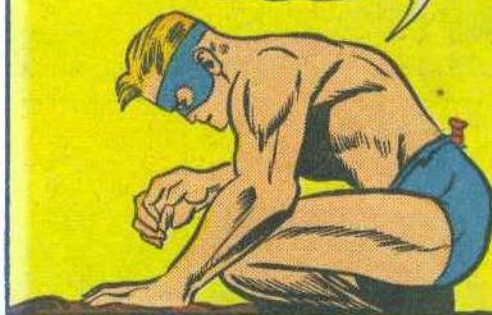
QUICK TOAG GET THE  
OTHERS - THE SHARK'S  
GONE MAD!



COME ON, RAT  
FIGHT!



DEAD!!! AND SO ARE ALL THOSE POOR  
SAILORS - BUT THEY'RE BETTER OFF AND  
SO IS THE WORLD!!

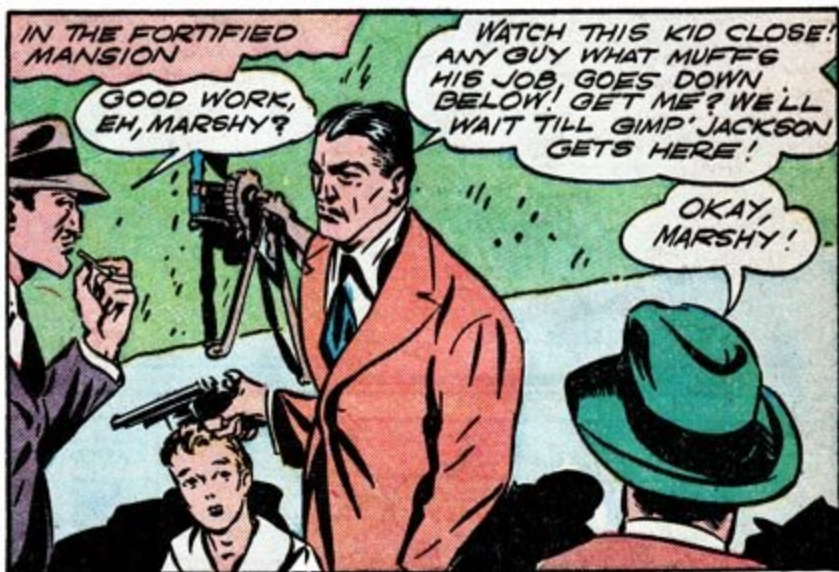


AND SO OFF INTO THE WATER  
SWIMS THE SHARK, LEAV-  
ING BEHIND AN UNDER-  
SEA CASTLE FILLED  
WITH NIGHTMARE -











HIGH UP IN THE CONCRETE  
RAFTERS, TREVE WAITS  
FOR THE RIGHT MOMENT  
AND THEN ...



YOU SAID IT GIMP.  
THERE IS SOMETHING  
FUNNY ABOUT  
THIS ROOM!!



NICE JOB GIMP PULLED, DIDN'T YOU  
SAY, MARSHY? THEN HE'LL  
APPRECIATE .....



THIS!



NOT SO FAST,  
WISE GUY...  
TOUGH AIN'T  
CHA!



BUT, AS THE THUG SHOOTS, TREVE WHIPS OUT  
HIS GUN AND WITH A BLAST OF ATOMS RENDERS  
THE ATMOSPHERE AROUND HIM IMPERVIOUS TO  
THE EFFECT OF MERE BULLETS!!

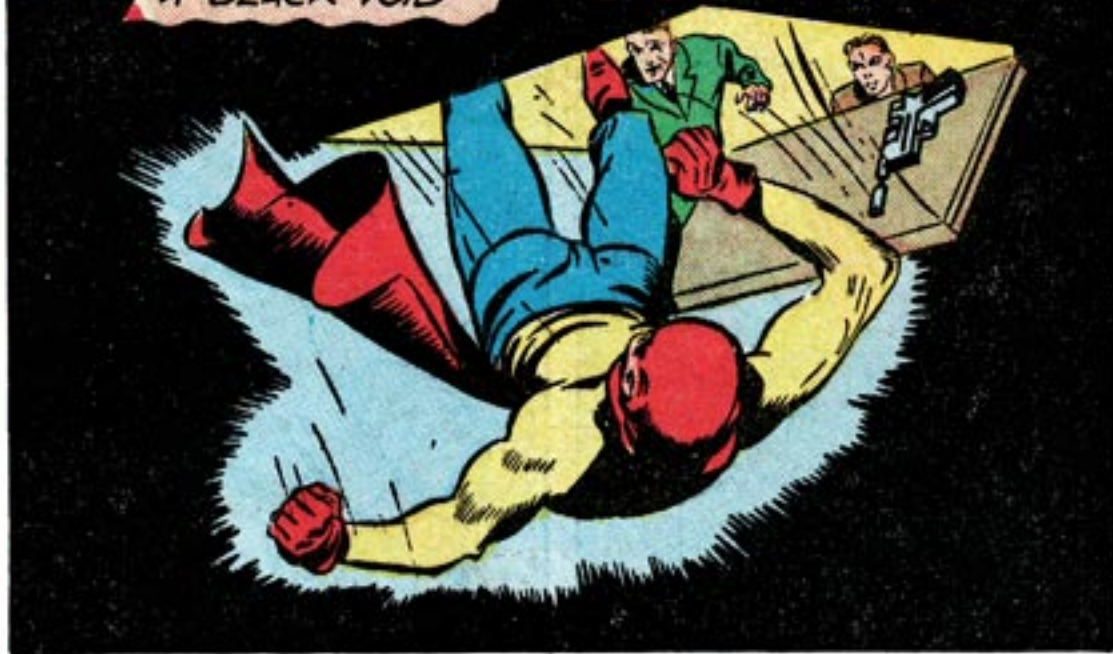




AS TREVE IS ABOUT TO RESCUE THE BOY, GIMP RECOVERS .....



A TRAP DOOR FALLS AWAY BENEATH TREVE AND HE DROPS DOWN INTO A BLACK VOID



AS HIS EYES BECOME ACCUSTOMED TO THE INKY BLACKNESS, HE SEES IN VAGUE OUTLINE, A WILD, HALF-STARVED GIANT, INHUMAN, UNNATURAL... A THROWBACK TO PRE-HISTORIC EXISTENCE !!



WHILE UP ABOVE...

GET THIS RANSOM NOTE TO THE KID'S PEOPLE! THE COPS WON'T STOP YA! THEY'RE AFRAID OF WHAT WE'LL DO TO THE KID IF THEY INTERFERE!



IF YA' NOT BACK HERE IN TWO HOURS WE'LL KNOW SOMETHING WENT WRONG... THEN WE'LL KNOW HOW TO PROCEED!



AS SWEATNOSE, BEARING THE RANSOM NOTE, NEARS THE KIDNAPPED BOY'S HOME, PROVIDENCE STEPS IN ..













